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Copies of the references cited are not enclosed, as allowed under 37 CFR § 1.98(d). Each item on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A was cited to, or cited by, the Office in one or more of the following prior related cases, to which priority to an earlier effective filing date is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, in the present application:

1. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/999,654, filed October 31, 2001.

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Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Chapter 609, applicant requests that the Examiner consider each of the listed documents and initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A.

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